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Luly Massaro
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

**Re: Docket 3444: Last Resort Service Bids and Power Supply Agreements for the Period
September 2002 through February 2003 and Request for Confidential Treatment**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed in accordance with Rule 1.2(g) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure are copies of confidential bid information and power supply agreements entered into by The Narragansett Electric Company ("Narragansett" or "Company") pursuant to its Last Resort Service Acquisition Plan ("Plan") filed in Docket 3444 and approved by the Commission in its open meeting on July 18, 2002. As part of the Plan, Narragansett committed to file with the Commission a summary of the initial and final bids received as well as the final executed power supply contract or contracts. The Company respectfully requests confidential and privileged treatment of Attachments B, C and D as described below. In compliance with Rule 1.2(g), the Company is providing complete unredacted copies of the confidential documents in a sealed envelope marked "confidential". Nine additional copies of these documents will be provided with all confidential information redacted as soon as the Company has redacted copies of the agreements in hand. Copies of the unredacted versions have also been provided to the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.

Narragansett is hereby filing the following attachments for the Commission's information:

Attachment A - A summary of the bid process identifying the key actions taken by Narragansett to procure Last Resort Service. Narragansett does not consider this document to be confidential.

Attachment B - A confidential summary of the initial bids received by Narragansett on August 12, 2002 reflecting bid prices at both the wholesale delivery point and at the retail customer meter. All of the bids received conformed to the pricing format specified in the RFP.

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Attachment C - A confidential summary of the final, binding bids received by Narragansett on August 15, 2002 reflecting bid prices at both the wholesale delivery point and at the retail customer meter. All of the bids received conformed to the pricing format specified in the RFP.

Attachment D - The executed confidential Power Supply Agreement for the period September 2002 through February 2003. This contract is substantially in the form contained in Plan submitted to the Commission.

Narragansett will make a separate filing establishing the actual Last Resort Service retail rates for this period. In addition, in accordance with the Last Resort Service acquisition plan approved by the Commission in Docket 3444, Narragansett is working on the acquisition of Last Resort Service supply for the period March 2003 through September 2003, and once that process is completed, the Company will make the necessary filings with the Commission.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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